

REMARKS

By this Amendment, claims 2, 3, 13, 15, 16 and 26 have been amended, and claims 1, 14 and 27 have been cancelled. Accordingly, claims 2-13 and 15-26 are pending in the present application.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2-13 and 15-26. In response, Applicant has amended claims 2, 3, 13, 15, 16 and 26 to be in independent form so as to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, all art rejections have been rendered moot, and claims 2-13 and 15-26 are in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration of the amendments to claims 2, 3, 13, 15, 16 and 26, and allowance of the present application with claims 2-13 and 15-26 is respectfully and earnestly solicited.

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